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SUBJ: REQUEST FOR CONFIRMATION ON USG CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNRWA

1. UNRWA COMPTROLLER HAS REQUESTED US TO SEEK FROM DEPT
CONFIRMATION OF HIS UNDERSTANDING FOLLOWING POINTS RELATED TO
USG PAYMENTS AND PLEDGES TO AGENCY FOR UNRWA'S CALENDAR
YEARS (CY) 1974 AND 1975:

A) OF TOTAL DOLS 14.3 MILLION RECEIVED FROM USG
DURING LATTER PART OF CY 1974, DOLS 11.6 MILLION (I.E., 50
PERCENT OF USG FY 75 CONTRIBUTION) APPLIES TO SECOND HALF
UNRWA CY 74 (I.E., 1 JULY THROUGHT 31 DECEMBER 1974).

B) USG PLEDGE OF DOLS 24,940,000 SUBJECT TO CONGRES-
SIONAL APPROVAL (UN DOC A/AC.171/SR.1 DATED JANUARY 10,
1975) AS INTENDED FOR AGENCY CY 75 AND THAT TOTAL IS BROKEN
DOWN AS FOLLOWS: DOLS 11.6 MILLION TO BE PAID FROM USG
FY 75 FUNDS (CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL ALREADY GIVEN) AND
DOLS 2.7 MILLION ADVANCE PAYMENT IN LATE CY 74 AS WELL AS
DOLS 13,340,000 TO BE PAID FROM USG FY 76 FUNDS, SUBJECT TO
APPROVAL OF CONGRESS.

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C) SPECIAL USG CONTRIBUTION OF DOLS 2 MILLION FOR VOCATIONAL TRAINING RECEIVED IN 1974 FROM USG FY 74 FUNDS HAS BEEN ALLOCATED BY AGENCY BETWEEN ITS CY 74 AND CY 75 AS FOLLOWS: DOLS 885,076 IN CY 74 AND DOLS 1,114,924 IN CY 75.

D) SPECIAL USG CONTRIBUTION OF DOLS 10 MILLION ALREADY RECEIVED IN CY 1975 IS UNDERSTOOD BY AGENCY TO APPLY EXCLUSIVELY TO UNRWA CY 75.

E) ADDITIONAL DOLS 6 MILLION USG CONTRIBUTION, ASSUMING PRESIDENTIAL DETERMINATION MADE, WILL ALSO APPLY EXCLUSIVELY TO AGENCY'S CY 75.

2. IN REQUESTING DATA, UNRWA COMPTROLLER EMPHASIZED THAT HIS SOLE PURPOSE IN SEEKING THIS CONFIRMATION IS TO ALLOW HIM TO RECONCILE USG PLEDGE AND PAYMENTS AND ASSURE THAT CONTRIBUTIONS ALLOCATED AS USG INTENDED TO PROPER TIMEFRAMES. HE UNDERSTANDS THAT UNRWA LIAISON OFFICE NY MISINTERPRETED HIS RECENT REQUEST FOR INFORMATION RE POSSIBLE ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW FY IN US. (LETTER TO WASHBURN FROM HOWELL ON THIS SUBJECT FOLLOWS.)
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